

# SPORTING EXTRA. CRAZY MOTHER'S AWFUL DEED.

Burned Herself and Three  
Children in a Barn  
at Elizabeth.

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NEIGHBORS WERE HELPLESS

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The Charred Bodies Were Found  
After the Fire Had Burned  
Itself Out.

**THE HOUSE WAS ALSO FIRED**

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**Mrs. Harrigan Supposed to Have  
Been Made Insane by  
Malaria.**

(Special to The Evening World.)

ELIZABETH, N. J., Oct. 15.—Mrs. Thomas Harrigan locked herself and three little children into the barn in the rear of her home on Grier avenue, at 7 o'clock to-day, set fire to a mow of hay and all four perished in the flames.

Mrs. Harrigan was suffering from temporary insanity, caused by melancholy.

About 11 o'clock Miss Kate Harrigan, a sister-in-law of the dead woman, and Miss Rebecca Hall, who live near by, discovered the barn in flames and gave the alarm.

large box full of wood burning along the chimney, which they tossed into the yard.

Meanwhile other neighbors gathered the scene, and surprise was expressed at the absence of Mrs. Harrigan and her children. Search was made in the house, and the horrible truth began to dawn on the assembled people that the family had perished in the flames in the barn.

There was nothing to do but wait for

It did not take long in the heavy wind blowing from the barn to be entirely consumed, and then search was made in the embers for the bodies.

The charred trunks of the mother and children were found lying in a heap at a corner of the barn on the ground.

Women fainted at the frightful spectacle.

The bodies were tenderly lifted up, placed side by side and covered with sheets, and Morgue Keeper Jensen and

age six; William, age four, and Isabelle, age fourteen months.

Thomas Harrigan, the husband of the father, is a vegetable peddler. He started for Newark early to-day to purchase a load of vegetables and as yet is unaware of the horrible scene that awaits him on his return.

Had it not been for the discovery of the attempt to burn the dwelling the suspicion would have been that the children were playing in the barn and had

**TENANTS FLED FROM FIRE.**

**Blaze in an Apartment House Owned by the Lorillard Estate.**

apartment-house, on the northeast corner of Third avenue and Twenty-fifth street. Thirteen families occupied the building, but Janitor John Anderson gave the alarm in time for all tenants to escape without injury, although the fire caused a great scare, and many women rushed shrieking into the street carrying children in their arms. All the

**Fire in Williamsbridge.**  
A fire in a two-and-a-half-story frame building here, the "Merry Railroad,"

**Hirsch Must Stand Trial.**

In Yorkville Court to-day Nathan Hirsch, 153 West Sixty-fifth street, was held for arraignment on Mian Mary O'Leary, of 140 West Sixty-sixth street. Hirsch at first appeared as complaining

**Schooner's Wreckage Sighted.**

... schooner was sighted. Later he saw a large  
mass in the water. ( )